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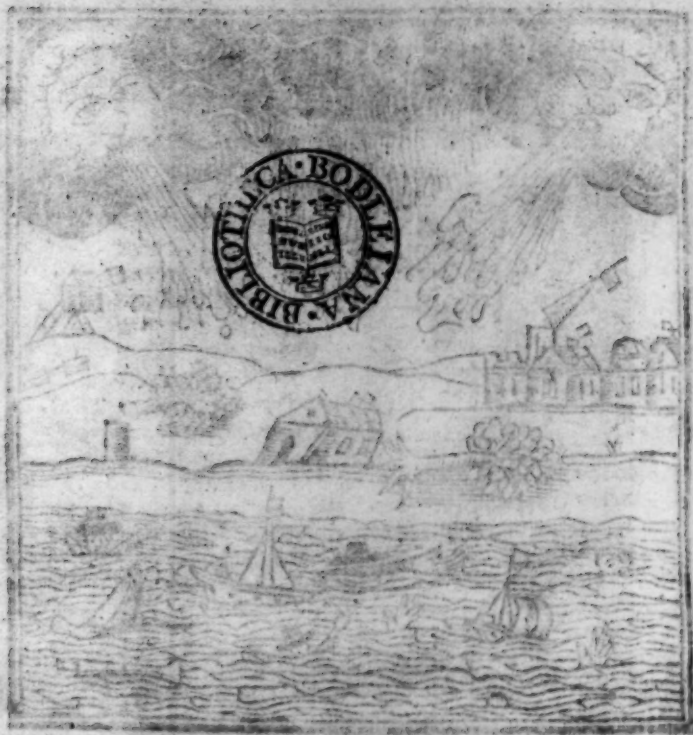
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**Lamentable reports of this**  
windy Winter, containing the wonderfull,  
and strange mischances happened by tempesti-  
ous stormes of winde and weather, in these  
three forepassed months of October, Nouem-  
ber and December, with part  
of January.



In this old, and last age  
of the world, we percei-  
ve behold the strange  
alterations of times &  
seasons, and therein,  
wee see put in minde  
of Gods anger purpo-  
sed against vs, by many  
variable and vniustall  
accidents, happening in  
these our latter daies,

to moue sinful mankind to repentance and new-  
nesse of life, which if we with the inward eyes of  
vnderstanding, consider of in remembrance of conscience,  
we shall finde that the heauy hand of heauen is lay-  
ed violently vpon vs, as wel in taking away our  
great hope, and earthly ioy (Henry our Royall  
Prince) as these our late lamentable mischances by  
winde and waters added to our sorowes, giuing  
vs an outward calamity to our inward griefes,  
Heauen, let vs not thinke amisse, if we should pte

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sumptuously say it is so; our sins & transgressions, and that they be forerunners of Gods restless indignation against vs; God of his great pitty be mercifull vnto vs and grant vs speedy repentance.

We haue with'in these few yeers, as well with'in this our native country of England as in forreine nations, bene most grievously stricken with the bitter blasts of powerfull greatness. one while with the darts of death, as by plagues & pestilence, continuing long amongst vs; another time by dyle Summers, and parching heates, brought, & sweating sulphers drying vp the moistures of the earth, to cause barrenness with scarcety, then freezing and cold winters in more then vsuall extremity to a no; vs; another time by floods and overflowings of waters breaking from the boundes of the Seas, in which wretched element many hundreds haue perished and haue lost both life and goods, as the best parts of England, in the yeere of our Lord, 1607. can sufficiently witness: Fierie losses, by the lamentable burning of many Townes: strange sicknesses, by corruption of ayre: deare yeers, by scarcety of victuall, and such like; all which be the consuming plagues of heauen, laid vpon the shoulders of the sinfull world; a burthen so easelike that no release can come but by forgiveness.

Also likewise, deare countrey men of England, let vs now call to present memory another powerfull scourge laid vpon vs, a daily calamity, these last long continuing whides and tempests, which these three sodaylled moneths hath, almost, euerie day and night affrighted vs with feare (as it were) shaking the foundations of the ground, with roarings in our eares like thunder, the terrible blasts inherest hath with such extremity continued, that they haue made in my fearefull representations of the

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the dreadfull trumpets of Gods wrath loudly blown  
in from heauen to the earth; the furie thereof by  
his diuine (intercession) hath mightily troubled (both  
sea and land) the Inhabitants of many countries;  
but especially our native Kingdome; to the losse of  
many thousands which haue lost both life and goods  
in this mortall miserie: therefore let vs say with  
the Wise-man; Happie is hee that is sorrowed  
in life, that no kinde of death is sodaine vnto him,  
and let vs with patience take our deserved punish-  
ments, for the smallest breath of Gods nostrile like  
a whirle-wind can destroy the glittering globe of the  
inholc earth.

It is with sorrow remembered, and with griefe  
reported in the Citie of London, vpon the rote  
all Exchanges, the honourable and worthy meeting  
place of Merchants; that within these three last  
passed Moneths of October, November, and Dec-  
ember, the deuouring gulfes of the sea hath swallow-  
ed vp, aboue two hundred saile of Ships, as well of  
our owne Countrey, as of neighbouring Nations;  
with great store of passengers, sea-faring men, and  
owners of the same, aduenturing their deere liues  
in the managing of the aforesaid Ships, with all their  
goods, and merchandises making for our countrey,  
all lost; yea all, I say, in these three last passed mo-  
neths, hath bene lost my dearthen in the deep founts  
of this watery world; a thing both lamentable and  
fearefull, that in so short a time; say, in a small part  
of the yeare, even in an instant, so many deare mist-  
chances should happen, and so many worthy befalls  
of aduenture miserie, which was but sufficient (if  
good speed had prospered) to haue wreicht a whole  
Citie and scattered a Kingdome; but such is the will  
of God, and such is his most just indignation against  
vs.

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As sundry merchants with sundry ships, to their sorrow  
many people are dead and many more sick, and that some  
sets particular note should be taken upon, which, and  
by this rebellion, many of the ships are deposited of their  
lives might have been saved, therefore be  
that will enter rightly into consideration hereof  
must needs acknowledge the case lamentable and  
the sorrow but probable.

By certification from some of good account and  
calling, it is reported into this noble city, that in  
the month of October last, a fleet of fourteene ships  
of this nation, from the North Sea towards Lon-  
don, laden with sea-coale and other commodities of  
those parts, and their passage by the training of the  
Islands most intricately kept, and violently cast into  
the Ocean, where, in many ships their perishes  
to the number of a hundred and forty sea-faring  
men, besides other passengers, both of men and wo-  
men, which at that time made their way to the  
Islands, and so, with great sorrow, into the  
hands of the enemy, where they were taken  
with many more commodities, together with the  
rest of the report.

The merchants have desired Dover and Calice  
can deliver many of the ships, by letters sent  
into either prince or count of the lands, it is ap-  
proved that by the coast of France, there hath been  
found sailing, by the waters, in the breach of  
some weather, some of which have been  
seen at divers places, as at Calice, Dutch,  
France, and elsewhere, and many of the ships  
in many of these ships, with great loss of goods by the  
fire of the enemy's boat upon the shore, a great  
loss of men and much commodity, and so, it is  
not to be wondered, that the sea hath been  
loosed in these three or four months, nor what  
losses

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losses other Countries haue sustained, I feare me, the tenth part is not discovered, for God in his high displeasure, still threatens vs with these long lasting tempests, day by day sending vs sorrow vpon sorrow, with hourly newes of shipwackes and losses at sea, the scattering of fleets by contrary winds and violent tempests, in one place ships cast away laden with cloath, in another, vessels of salt, some with one thing, some with another, a rich, and of too great a price to be thus sodainly wasted to the benefit of no creature.

Likewise vpon our English coasts, more néere the West parts hath bene cast away, diuers other ships, comming from Spaine, where in one of them were knowne to be seuentene passengers of god reconing and calling, and some of them cittyzens of London, which were found dead floating on the waters, some vpon planks of wood, peeces of masses and suchlike, which the fury of the winde and weather had splitted and forne in sunder, amongst this drowned number (being a sight of great grieve) there was taken by a woman, with a child closed to her brest, as it were sucking, also two other women, clasped together arme in arme, as it seemed, dying in each others bosoms.

It is also credibly reported, by the eye witnesses of this woful accident, that vpon the Westerne seas, néere to the coast of Cornewal, a certaine Shippe was discovered, euen sunke to the top of her maine mast, with some five or sixe saylers, remayning in the top cradle to saue their liues, but there escaping drowning by water, they were starued to death with cold and want of food, and so found in a calme day, by another ship aduenturing to preserue them, oh pittifull report and full of heauinesse.

A number moze of the like miseries, hath lately  
happes



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happened by reason of these tempestuous winds, but especially to the sea-men, & such as haue committed themselves, their liues, & estates to the mercies of wind & weather, frō whom almost no other newes come, but reports of most dangerous escapes, terrible shipwacks, with losse of life & goods, the impoverishing of marchants, the sinking of ships and such like: of which woful losses, many of our inhaunting extortioners, makes profit, rayling their merchant-like commodities, with other wares to high rates and prices, working a recouerable substance out of poore mens purses, carelesse of passed calamities, oh courteous desires, oh lamentable hearing, when y<sup>e</sup> hearts of people are thus hardened. God in his high power, p<sup>r</sup>uent their purposes, & alay these great winds, y<sup>e</sup> calling weather may comfort vs, and ad a forwarde willingness to al sea aduenturers, to continue their wonted profession, euen now (many of them) discouraged frō countries benefits, by reason of these long continuing tempests. Many moze subjects of sorrow present themselves befoze vs, and fill our eares with losse vpon losse, to the heart griefes of all good minds, for this watery kingdome, this vnsatisfied gulfe, hath clasped into her bosom, to the vndoing of many thousands, a number of hoies, barks & vessels, such as aduentured out for fish, herrings, oylers & such sea victual, into the North seas, and haue there suffered shipwack, and diued the Oceans bottome past the recovery of man & helpe of the worlde.

It hath ben certified for a truth, to some of the greatest statemen of the Land, that betwixt Michellmas & Chyltmas last, the seas haue bereaued 7000. and od people of their liues, and that at London, and in the coast towne of England, nere the sea side there are knowne to be foureteene hundred sea-faring mens widdowes, beside fatherlesse chil-



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ben, & children fatherlesse. Therefore let al tender hearted people say, with me, that these thre monthes haue byn times of heauinesse, yea times of greatest grief, when the owners of ships and the goods therein, for which they haue labored many a long yere, & trauelled for in many a weary winter, to be thus in one tempest cast away and lost, and themselves (though escaping life) with their wines and children brought to pouerty: how can we chuse but with eyes of pittie, & with teare bestained cheekes, being men, much more Christians, but relent at our neighbors losses, and participate with them in moene.

Let vs (oh my deere countrymen of England) make our petition to God, that he would alay this windy instrument of his wrath, & al other his angers opposed against vs for our finnes, and confesse that our transgressions euen stink in the nostrils of his diuine Maiesty: he is merciful, and sends vs dayly (as we see) examples both by Sea and Land to win vs from wickednesse.

If we cast but our eyes, vpon the City of London and the towne and villages neere vnto the same, we may behold the fury of his high offended power in twincing the spoiles of stately houses, and the high turrets of great personages, by these vnruly winds defaced, and as it were, in their greatest pride toyme in sunder.

Loke vpon the dwellings of many worthy Citizens of this City, & we shal see that God is angry, by the vnlouing of these powerfull windes, and by suffering them terribly, to vnconer their stately Archytectures, vntopping their peiring pinickles, blowing downe whole sides of houses, yet for all this many of them are merciles, regarding nothing at all the strangenesse of these accidents, nor the searefulness of these times and seasons, but

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accounts them natural, common, and usuall, more like vnto Atheists, then Christians, but, oh you temporizing naturallists except you repent, full vials of Gods wrath will be poured downe vpon your heads, and all your temporal purposes brought to nothing.

Likewise, let vs settle, befoze our eyes, and in our present remembrance, these following examples of Gods power, which with the breath of his mouth workes wonders, these following examples, I say, by these late tempestuous winds done in diuers shiers of England, & we shal think the maruellous: was it not a strang accident that a flock of Sheepe, belonging to a Farmer in Lincoln-shire, nere vnto the totn of Boston, named George Kidman, should by the aforesaid winds in one night, be driuen twenty miles and more, and then blown into a part of the sea and there drowned, herein was not the winde powerful: yes, yes, so powerful, and strong, that it euen confunds humain reason to consider of.

It is also reported by letters, directed to diuers Citizens of London, that in the same County of Lincoln, a heard of beasts by violence of the wind and weather, this very last month of December, were driuen into a Fenny Marsh, and there most strangely skifeled with durt and water, the owners of these beasts, are certaine substantiall yemen, whose names, to cut off tedious discriptions, so; this time I omit.

The wind as we may wel vnderstand is strong & irresistible, by som supposed to be a spirit, compassing the world (by Gods sufferance) to work wonders, but in my opinion it is an avery instrument of vncertainty, appointed by heauen for the vse of Gods creatures, which brings vs many times much blessednesse, and purifies the earth from diuers corrup

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corruptions, but at this time for our selues we haue been therewith much annoyed, as it hath here been described both by sea and land; the violence thereof hath caused much hurt in diuers countries, by raising of waters, and beating in of the floods, and such like; by which meanes Travellers are hindered of their iourneies, and many thereby drowned by aduenturing.

As for example, vpon the Wednesday before Christmas last, a man & his wife riding ouer Walden-head byldge both vpon one horse, by the fiercenes of the wind were blowne beside, and there drowned both horse and all, God be mercifull vnto vs, and preserue vs from all such like mischances.

The like mishap befell in November last, vnto two York-shire men, as it is verified by some Gentlemen of the Innes of Court, and Chancery which knew the parties, the one of them a Tanner, named Francis Browns, the other a Clothier, called Richard Smith, both dwelling in a Towne neere Wakefield shire, called Thorby; which two Country-men falling out vpon small occasions, wilfully purposed to come vp to London, and there put their Causes of themselves to the Lawes tryall: yet notwithstanding came they vp together, where, in riding ouer a Bridge about Bedford-shire, and conferring of their inward grudges, they were blowne both beside into the Riner; where, by the fiercenes of the windes they were most lamentably drowned, both horse and men: and thus by sodaine death ended their malice, to the feare and amazement of all such as wel could witnes their eniuous proceedings; these, and such like accidents may be feareful examples for the world to behold, especially for rich men, shewing to them the certaintie of life and goods subject to the chaunces of death and fortune: across

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ding to the saying of a worthy Philosopher.

Full little thinks the man at morning Sun,  
What hap to him befalls ere day be done.

Therefore, let vs pray for good successe in all our  
businesses, guided and accompanied with the bles-  
sings of heauen, and then no doubt but better chance  
will befall vs then these two malicious country-  
men had in their iourney.

We haue yet more notice, (gentle Reader) of  
other sorrowfull discourses to relate of, which well  
may beget your sad entertainment, and possesse your  
hearts with remorse, for they be strange and feare-  
full, and in the eare of the hearer full of dole.

Let vs now passe into the middle parts of Shires  
of England, and tel what mischances there hapned,  
the three Shires of Warwick, Leicester, and North-  
hampton (I meane) where the Inhabitants thereof,  
with tracks and ricks of hey, peaze, and beanes do  
usually (in winter times) feed and fatten shep, and  
swine, those country-men (the more is my grieve to  
report) by these aforesayd tempests haue endured  
much losse, for many of their shep and swine haue  
ben smothered under the ricks and stacks blowne  
down by the winds, besides barns and stables with  
many husbandly houses torne and bucovered of  
thatch by the same: Likewise the dwellings of po-  
men, farmers, & laboring plow-men in those coun-  
tries, haue bin ouerturned with the rage of this tem-  
pestuous commander, wel may we therfore (if we  
consider al these things aright) call this the blacke  
fatall winter of mishaps, in which time many bur-  
thens of sorrow be laid upon our contry, God be our  
comfort: for alas, alas, the aforesayd raging windes  
in diuers other Shires of England haue beaten doir in  
a number of houses, dispearing the substance of the  
poore owners, where many of them perished in pres-  
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seruing their substance from the fall of their houses.

Yet let vs make no question but that God is merciful, and hath plagued some few with the losse of life and goods, (if it be possible) to call others to amendment of life: Therefore aboue all things let vs take heed, that long escapes of punishment, or the vaine hopes of long life do not delude vs, and make vs still run into our sins without hope of returne.

But to our lamentable narration againe, many the like strange euents, fell out in other countries and parts of the kingdome; as for example, 2. or 3. shep-keepers in a part of Salisbury Plaine, in the west of England can witnes, who in a most tempestuous day, as it is well knowne in the beginning of December, betook themselves to a Cabin or Cane in the ground for shelter (as there be many in those places) where, by the furiosities of the tempestuous winds then blowing in greatest extremitie, the earth riued, and was torne vp by reason of the hollownes therof, under the which they were inclosed & smothered to death, from the like sodaine end god Lord haue vs.

It is also known for certainty, that nere vnto the Towne of Causeby in Oxfordshire, a little before Christmas last, two young schollars conuining from schole the sonnes of a wealthy Yeoman there dwelling, were by these terrible tempests both blown into a saw-pit, (by reason of this wet winter filled by with dirt and water) and there most lamentably drowned and choaked to death: oh wofull and pittifull hearing! especially for the Parents of children, and such as haue the tender feeling of lone and nature, that two sweet voices brought vp by cost and care, should be thus and in this manner cast away.

Another sorrowfull relation, must I here present into your hearing, which hapned in the Easterne parts

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parts of North Hampton-shire, of a wind-mill, which  
as well by the negligence of the Miller, as the violent  
force of the wind, causing the mill-saples to exceede  
their usuall swiftnes, was thereby (wanting graine  
to grind) by the Mill-stones set on fire, being in the  
night, the flakes and sparkles thereof by the fierce  
windes were blowne a long mile off, (as it pleased  
God) quight ouer a Village unto a ricke of pease,  
where setting the same on fire it was sodainly con-  
sumed, with fifty sat Weather-seeding thereat; the  
rage and extremitie of these two great oppressors,  
the Fire and the Winde, so preuailed, that not one  
man durst aduenture the saving thereof; and I haue  
heard it reported by diuers in that Countrey that  
the consumed Riek and Shep, belonged to an extor-  
ting rent-racker, a raiser of cheape markets, and a  
hoarder by of come from poore people: here was  
the powerfull hand of God shewne. Heauen herein  
was iust, which would not let such wicked deeds go  
unpunished; God grant that hereby all the like do-  
ers may take example, and turne their hearts,  
that they may bee mercifull to them that stand in  
need.

Turne now but our eyes more nearer London,  
we may behold the hand of Heauen lifted against  
vs many waies, yea many waies by these last gusts  
of windy tempests for our wickednes; as by trees  
torn up by the roots, standing before in all winds  
weathers safe and sound for these two hundred years  
past.

Also the noble City of London it selfe can tell  
nes much hurt that is come thereby; as diuers peo-  
ple sore humbled and wounded by falls of chimnies  
corners and sides of houses, the blowing downe of  
styles and such like.

The very River of Thames, is also a present  
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hereof, where by the rigorous strength of the winde  
the water (with the tyde flowing over fiercely) made  
a most dangerous breach over the banks into the  
Medowes & Marshes by Stratford le bow, & Ham,  
where many thousand akers of faire grounds are  
quite over-flovene and drowned, to the great hurt  
and hindrance of many the Inhabitants of London,  
as those Townes therabouts, the recovery whereof,  
by men of such understanding, wil cost much time,  
with invaluable sums of money, to the great griefe  
and care of many hundreds.

The like hindrance though not in that kinde, be-  
fell unto divers Citizens of London in October  
last, of whom I know some now dwelling in St.  
Sepulchers parish without Newgate, whose  
names for good cause I omit, who being at Sitting-  
borne, faire in Kent, to here dispatching their busi-  
nesse, and sending their goods and wares up to  
wards London in a small Bark or Ship, were most  
lamentably sunke and cast away in the reach once a-  
gainst Barking in Essex.

In the same County of Essex, at Ilford, where  
a Gentlemans house standeth bravely built with a  
high turret leaved over, had the top and leads there-  
on blowne off, and by the winde turned up into a  
round role, which to all mens reason may seeme  
strange, that the winde should bee of so great a  
force to remove so weighty a substance, as that met-  
tle is knowne to be of.

From hence, if wee but hearken downe to the  
Sea side, and at most of our coast Townes, wee  
shall heare no other reports but of shipwacks and  
of drowned people in great numbers taken by, and  
as it is verified by some of great credit, that at  
one coast Towne of England, there hath bene at  
one certaine time a whole Cart-loade of drowned  
men



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men carried from the Sea side.

Oh woofull hearing! oh heauy and sad spectacle! it euen stikes my very soule with feare to tell it; in many places where I haue ben I haue heard bitter complaints made, some by fathers for their lost children, some by children for their lost fathers; which the sea hath buried by in watery graues, women for husbands, brother for brother, and friends for friends; sorrow is on every side, and all wrought by these late outrageous tempests, neuer tholike in this our sinfull age of the world.

But againe to our purpose; another accident comes to my mind, which is requisite and fit to bee reported for the strangenesse thereof, for it begets cause of heavines; a certaine ship of London, laden with rich commodities of diuers Merchants of this honorable City, making for the East countries, and setting forth before Michalmas last, hath ever since (by tempestuous and crosse windes) bene tossed by and downe the narrow seas, some time vpon one coast, sometime vpon another, still diuon from place to place in great danger, no way able (by reason of contrarie gales) to finish their intended volage, but are now at last cast backe vpon our owne shores, where the Diuers are forced againe to re-victuall their ship, to their great losse and hindrance; a charge lying too heauie vpon some mens backs, but God is mercifull, and senteth these afflictions to try the patience of his seruants, whose losses no doubt but he will restore with a three-fold increase of plentiful blessings.

Thus by degrees do we enter into two, after two, where the reports of one mishap, still prouokes an inuention to another, either of dangers by sea, or losses vpon land, which I am here bound vpon

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ocation to intermingle, contrary to true method in writing, but not to be tedious; this must I certifie you of, that there is intelligence vpon the exchange among Marchants, of the overflowing & drowning of townes in the Low-countries, where many thousands haue perished in their owne houses, by the meruites seas; driven in by these late windes, by heart breaking news: especially to that country people there borne, and here dwelling in London, in this sorrowfull manner to heare of the sad farewell of their friends and kindred, thus to lose their deare liues.

It is certified likewise that the famous City of Antwerpe that Soure of Brabant so famous buildings hath had great spoiles by this wind and waters, and that part of that worthy city is overflowed thereby, to the impoverishing of diuers Marchants, whose factories be here resident in England, but because foraine reports doe not much concerne our discourses, we will fill by this our volume with our home byed casualties.

The townes of Dover here in Kent, can wel declare the powerful strength of these Winter winds, where from time to time, is violently cast out of the seas whole shelles and heapes of sand and stone, with many other things to the great wonder of the inhabitants: those that durst adventure to stand vpon the shoare side, at the fallnesse of any of these tempests, did behold strange battles, betwixt the wind and waters, where as it famed, wasse like main-taines, daunt in the skies, and the whole seas appeared like a fiery world, all sparkling red, such was it, and so terrible, that it euen frightened the careful shipmen, to looke aboue hatches.

The county of Kent hath borne a pittifull share of those late wretched spoiles, and hath received as

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much lesse as any one country beside: amongst many other hurts there happened, this one here followeth, wil I make knowne as a thing both strange and feareful. About some foure miles from Cantebury, at a towne called Great Chart, vpon Saint Johns day last, being Sunday, in the time of Evening prayer, the Church being full of people, arose a most terrible tempest of lightning, wind, and thunder, raging extreamly, to the great affright of man, woman and child there remayning, in the midst of which feare, brake into the Church a most ugly shape out of the ayer like vnto a broad eyed bul, and dashed the Minister booke out of his hand; with which blow the same arme and hand was stroken lame and black, whereupon the whole audience so fearefully pressed one vpon another to get forth that many were hurt and almost brused to death, amongst which number a Wyllow was quite slaine, by the fright of this misshapen spirit, so so was it thought to be, which without doing further hurts banished away, taking with it a part of the Church wal, leaving the whole assembly lying almost smothered one vpon anothers back. It is not for vs mortals, to iudge the event hereof, but this is reported of the same towne of Chart, the parishioners haue an euill custome among them, for continually, be it either in service or sermon time, they wil stand in troupes of foure or fise in a company in diuers parts of the Church, conferring & talking of worldly affaires, not regarding at al the words of the Minister, but rather, behaue themselves, as it were in a faier or market, to the great griefe of each well disposed Christian, preparing himself to the service of Almighty God, vnder whose shield we ought to make our defence against the temptations of the Prince of darknesse. And now to draw nere vnto

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a conclusion, I thinke it not impertinent, nor  
fitting to ad vnto these our feareful discourses in  
like manner a terrible tempest of wind and thunder  
that happened nere vnto the towne of Potting-  
ham as it is recorded by I. S. a Citizen of London,  
and knowne for a troth of the inhabitants there  
now. This miraeilous tempest in great fury, the  
wind outragiously blowing, came thundering sho-  
rough two townes, and beate downe many houses  
with part of both the Churches, the one of them a  
vilage nere vnto the foresaid towne of Pottingham  
called Sueton adloping to the Riuer of Trent,  
which had their bels cast to the out-sides of the  
Church-yard, and some webs of lead foure hun-  
dred foote into the field wrythen like vnto a paier of  
gloues: the Riuer of Trent running betwene the  
two townes, had the water with the mud in the  
bottom, carried a quarter of a mile, and cast against  
trees, and the trees toyned by by the rootes, and cast  
twelue score off: also a child was taken fourth of  
a mans hand two speares length high, carryed a  
hundred foote from him, and then let fall, and so di-  
ed: also five or six men therabout dyed by this tem-  
pest: God be mercifull and grant vs patience in such  
like extremities, many other strange accidents  
there hapned as then, of the truth wherof let no man  
doubt, for of the same there is sufficient prooffe, and  
will be bereffed, if occasion serue, God with his out-  
stretched arme defend and keepe vs from the  
like death as many unhappely haue here in our  
Country both by sea and land tasted, and grant  
that wee may seriously to our owne goods beare in  
remembraunce all these forepassed reports, that  
they may put vs in minde to shunne the wayes  
of the wicked, for all these related calamities

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have bene laid upon vs for our finnes; we see  
how our good Father is loath to chide vs too fre-  
quently, and unwilling to strike vs too terribly, therefore  
let these passed warnings move us to good  
life, which God for his chosen sake  
grant. Amen.

**FINIS.**

